

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
EASTERN DIVISION

JOE LEE DIXON,

Petitioner,

v.

TROY STEELE,

Respondent,

No. 4:17-CV-962 DDN

**MEMORANDUM AND ORDER**

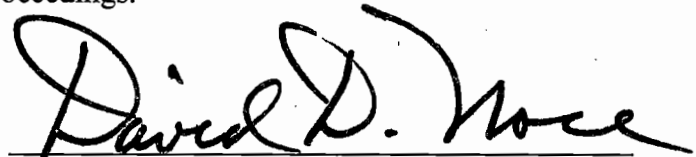
This matter is before the Court on review of petitioner's application for writ of habeas corpus brought pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner has failed to pay the \$5 filing fee or file a motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis.

Accordingly,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that, no later than twenty-eight (28) days from this Order, petitioner must either pay the \$5 filing fee or file a motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that if petitioner fails to comply with this Order, the Court may dismiss this action without further proceedings.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.



DAVID D. NOCE  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE